NEW YORK, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1874.

THE LEGISLATURE'S WORK. A RAID ON THE SINECURISTS IN THE CANAL BOARD,

A Chance for Practical Reform Mr. Bergh's Bull on its Travels-The Senate Doing Nothing-Canal Board Appointments.

ALBANY, Feb. 10 .- Mr. Davis of Washington county has offered a resolution calling upon the State Engineer and Surveyor for information as to the subordinate engineers and other Sweet is a member, were seized recently with a asm for retranchment and reform in conductnewbord overved superintedents and collectors. This interfered with the parsonage usually at the disconal of the members from the "canal districts," and it is not strange that they insist upon carving retrenchment still further, even into the offices of the member of the Canal Board, N. Newet was said to be one of the strongest in the country, and is not strange that they insist upon carving retrenchment still further, even into the offices of the member of the Canal Board, N. Newet was said to be one of the strongest in the country, and is not strange that the part of the control of the board of the member of the Canal Board, N. Newet was said to be one of the strongest in the country, and the strongest in the country, and the not it is not strange that the inject of the control of the board and the strongest in the duties of Nr. Perits, whom he has appointed Doputy State Engineer and surveyor, and why he is put down as living in Horkore country, when in fact he has been as the country of the co rvices of several superintendents and collec-rs. This interfered with the paironage usually

enator Jacobs introduced a bill, accompanied long preamble, reciting that the discharge

The annual Appropriation bill was made a special order for Thursday evening. The total amount of the appropriations is about \$60,000 less than last year. The committee refused to make any appropriation for the maintenance of the Bureau of Steam Beiler Inspection on the ground that it is uscless. The Supply bill is to be reported in a few days. It is said that the committee have shut down on the jobs which are usually put into it, but this does not insure their defeat. The friends of the various jobs in the Legislature will doubtless make up their usual pool, and put them in when the bill is up in committee of the whele. If its consideration is put oil until the last days of the seasion they will doubtless be successful. The only safety will doubtless he successful. The only make up the deliciency in the Shiking Fund, occasioned by the taking of money from that fund to meet appropriations heret fore made. They say that this will realize about \$560,000 a year, and that the defice ency can thus be made good in about three years.

The Republicans in caucus to-day unanimously mominated Dr. Anson J. Upson of Albany for Regent of the University, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the elevation of Mr. Johnson to the bench of the Court of Appeals. Erastus Corners and that facility of the deficiency and the Democrats.

Ing was to-night nominated by the Democrats.

FINAL ADJOURNMENT.

Senator Lord offered a resolution in Democratic caucus piedging the Democrats to vote for a final adjournment on the 20th of March. He said that the Republicans had asserted that the minority were responsible for slow legislation, and he wished to show that the contrary is the fact. He added that ther is nothing of importance before the Legislature except the appropriation bills. Mr. Jacobs thought it would be impossible to adjourn before the expiration of the one hundred days. After considerable debate a resolution piedging the Democrats to wote for a final adjournment on the 3d day of April was passed.

A bill is to be introduced to-morrow abolishing the office of Superintendent of Public Instruction, and transferring his duties to the Regents of the University. Also a bill to make life insurance non-for-citable by reason of lapses in payment of premiums.

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payment of premiums.
The Governor was to-day busily examining the facts hid before him in the case of Mr. Britten. It is said that Judge Comstock, formerly of the Court of Appeals, has written an opinion on some of the points submitted to him by the

CANAL BOARD APPOINTMENTS.

The Canal Board has been all day wrangling over the few remaining appointments. There has been a bitter struggle for the collectorship of the port of New York, between the Custom House, Tammany and Liberal interests. It is said to-night that the Liberals have carried the day, and that Mr. Thomas Earl is too be the lucky man. Mr. Raines throughout all these appointments has done his level best for his Liberal friends and holding the balance of power has been very successful.

The Committee on Commerce and Navigation of the Assembly will next Tuesday evening give a hearing to persons interested in the builto reduce the rates of wharfage in New York and Brooklyn. Among the arrivals to-day are Police Commissioner Oliver Charlick, Commissioner Van Nort, Thes. E. Stewart, Dexter A. Hawkins and Abraham Desbecker, editor of the City Becord.

THE WESTERN WHISKEY RINGS. How the Government is Swindled with the

Connivance of its own Officers. The Head of the Ring a Protege of Grant and Delano. WASHINGTON, Feb. 10 .- There are indications here which give promise of an investigation into Western whiskey Rings at Pekin, Ill., are a considerable number of large distilleries, variously reported from four to eight, controlled by a company who have their agents id New | vert Vaux and R. G. Hatfield, the architects who distill first-proof whiskey and ship it to New York under pretence of exportation. Arrived

A few nights ago Dr. McKown was called to the Frankin street poince station, where he found John Thompson, a one-legged soldier, who was very weak from sheer destitution. He lost his leg in the battle of

Who was Responsible?

John Connors and Thomas Tracey, who are impleaded with Nicholas Furiong not arrested, were yesterday convicted in the General Sessions on an indeciment for s'ealing six water pipes, worth \$25 each, the property of the city, from Ninety-seventh street and Fifth avenue. On the 16th of last December Connors engaged a team to hand wood. The driver, Michael (Donnell, was instructed by his employer, Patrick Sleven of Harlem, to obey connors's orders. O'Donnell wave that Cennors directed him to load up with the water pipes, and with the assistance of Tray and Furiong, who were also under the direction of Connors, he did take the pipes on his wagon and was leisurely driving down Madison avenue when arrested. His professions of innocence were credited, and Connors and Tracy were arrested. They denied O'Donnel's story, but were not believed by the Jury. Becomier Mackett sentenced them to three years each in State prison.

The Granger's Congress.

Sr. Louis, Feb. 10. The National Grange today considered the amendments to the Constitution.
One of these provides for the establishment of district

THE PESTILENTIAL TOMBS. A NEW OFFICIAL CONDEMNATION

OF THE CITY PRISON. The Most Important of all the Meetings of

the Commissioners - Convincing Mayor liavemeyer against his Will. At the meeting of the commissioners appointed to erect a new city prison, Messrs. Cal-

Hon. Wm. F. Havemeyer, Chairman of New City Prison at New York, the barrels are secretly emptied of their wilskey and filled with water. The mail an examination of the present file. at New York, the barrels are secretly emptied of their whiskey and filled with water. The water is then exported, and the whiskey in other barrels is sold or reshipped throughout the country. These robbers have become immensely rich. The Ring at St. Louis is one of the strongest in the country, and is composed exclusively of Onio and Indiana men. The return officers are in great part imported from those States, even to the gaugers and storckeepers. The distilleries are 'tree and numerous. The method of operating is with the collusion of the revenue officers to represent the country of the distilleries. The capacity of the distilleries. The capacity of one of these is 250 barrels per day, while tax is paid on 125 barrels.

The Ring has been closely watched. They hold their meetings at a late hour of night in

THE MASKED BURGLARS' CRIB.

The Trial of the Keeper of a Canal street
Dru-A Thieves' Nest Breken Up.
George A. Millard, the keeper of the
saloon at Canal and Washington streets, upon
which Det ctive Richard Fields made a descent
on the 8th of January and where he and his brother officers captured the evidences of the operations of the masked burglars on Staten Island
and elsewhere, was blaced on trial in the General Sossions vesteriaw, on an Indictment for
The particular captured article upon which
A-siron District Atterner Kollins relied for a
conviction was a red morocco portfolio helonging to a travelling bag, worth \$25, which
the masked burglars to roke open when they
sanked the house of Mr. Wm. K. Seutler on
Sanen island, December 20.

Mr. Soutter testified that the portfolio was
hond the prisoner sald. "That sail right."
Detective Win-G. Eider gave corroborative testimony. He said that when the portfolio was
found the prisoner sald. "That sail right."
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nen are crowded together like sardines in a

sel's office can be transferred to the same building. In that way the Register's records would be kept in a fire-proof building, and the city would be saved the rent of the Corporation Counsel's office in Nassau street." He added that his chief objection to the Tombs was itslack of accommodations. "Often," said he, "three men are locked up in one cell. They get along in the day time; but at night one sleeps in the bunk, one on the floor, and one on the soil pipe."

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Comptroller Green said that the bill providing for the erection of a new prison was passed at the request of the Common Council of this city. He could not imagine why they had changed their minds so soon.

President Vance said that the resolution asking the Legislature to repeal the act was passed by a viva voce vote—that a few Aldermen voted in the affirmative, and that many were silent. "In that way," he added, "many things get through legislative bodies."

Comptroller Green thought that as a bill to repeal the act was pending in the Legislature the Commissioners should incur no expenses not absolutely necessary. He thought, however, that the proceedings of the commission should be published. He added that copies might be sent to the members of the Legislature that they might carefully consider what had been done before they acted on the bill to repeal the law.

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President Vance said, after the adjournment that the act did not authorize the Commissioners to repair or remodel the Tombs. It directed them to sell it as soon as the new prison was mished. He thought that if the act was repealed, other men would use the same arguments for a new prison which were used by those who secured the passage of the existing act. He added that it might not be repealed if certain politicians (whom he did not name) should be substituted for the present Commissioners.

sioners. WASHINGTON, Feb. 10 .- The Signal Office pre

THE ADVANTAGES OF IGNORANCE. An Escape from Forcelosure-A Fine Law Point that Saved \$20,000-Interesting to Searchers in the Register's Office.

In 1873 Mr. Henry B. Gourley of New York bought a large tenement in Ridge street for the nominal price of \$35,000. There were mortgages at the time of the sale estimated at \$15,000, which the purchaser of course assumed. Mr. Gourley, however, invested all his available funds in paying the mortgagor for his interest York and at other advantageous points for the purpose of evading the revenue laws. They and consequently had no authentic information as to when the mortgages fell due, or where or to whom the amounts were payable. In Decemto whom the amounts were payable. In December an action of foreclosure was commenced against him in the Supreme Court. The stringency in the money market was against him. He knew that a sale of the property under a decree of foreclosure would in all probability result in the loss of the \$20,000 to pay off the mortgage was a problem which he studied for several days without reaching a solution. Naturally he sought legal advice. His counsel, Mr. John G. Bood, told him that miss he could interpose some defence a decree and a forced sale were inevit tole.

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A plea of non est factum was not admissible, because the complaint of the plaintiff did not allege that the mortgage was executed by the defendant. What was to be done? Mr. Gourley in his despair said he didn't know anything about the mortgage anyhow. He wished it and its holders were in a warmer place than Alaska. This gave his counsel an idea. The non-searching of the title at the time of the conveyance was worked down to a legal certainty, and Mr. Boyd filed for his client an answer averling that defendant had not sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to whether the piantiff's claim was just and true, demanding a trial upon the issue thus made. An issue of fact raised by the pleadings in any ordinary suit in the Supreme Court cannot be tried soon. The cause must take its place on the caleniar, and the litigants are lucky if they have a trial within eighteen months. In this instance the plaintiff expected a decree and dicif, and the interposition of an answer making an issue and putting him upon his proof was a disappointment. His counsel moved to strike out the answer on the ground that it was frivolous.

This motion was argued before Judge Lawrence last week, and yesterday the Judge filed an opinion denying the motion. The Judge holds that although the pnewer denying knowledge may be frivolous, in fact it is nevertheless justified by the code, and in this instance has been properly verified. It follows that the less a property holder knows about his mortgage debts the better he is off, for if he knows nothing about them he can stave off the day of payment for a year or two at least.

The Headless Skeleton in a Maine Wood-A
Husband on Trial for Marder.
Lewiston, Me., Feb. 10.—The trial of James
M. Lowell for the nurder of his wite on Jane 12, 1820,
was begun this morning in the Saprene Court, Aubarn,
Judge Waiton presiding. The case was brought to
light by the discovery of a headless skeleton in the
wood about three miles from this city, in October last.
Lewell was arrested in Lawrence, brought here for his
preliminary examination, committed for trial, and may since remained in the Auburn at a useful not again to grant and the standard probably left for those places.

The TRIAL OF STRAUSS.

On Monday, Nov. 6. Strauss was placed on the first or the present in the room. The excitement is only second to that which he was perhaps the least interested aperisor in the room. The excitement is only second to that which ensured upon the discovery of the bours alleged to be those of Mrs. Lizzie Lowell. A barre crown is in alternatine at the construction, including many sides.

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The evidence of the first three related to the identification of the birck suk dress found around the skeleton, and of the go default which she also wore. Miss Manley told how Lowell and his wite statict out to ride together on the hight of Mrs. Lowell's disappearance, and also how she saw her put on the black sik dress before leasting.

The Lates: from the Wemen's Temporance War-Praying in a Snow storm.

Cincinnati, O., Feb. 10.—The temporance movement has received a fresh impetus from reported.

More Indian Depreciations.

FORT LARAMIE, W. T., Feb. 10.—A carrier from the Peak train reports that about ten miles from the mill Lieut. Robinson and Corporal Coleman were surrounded by forty Indians. Private Noice said that the last he saw of Rebinson he was leading forward in his saddle, and the Indians very close trained tiring at bim. Robinson and Coeman ran toward the mill. Noise ran toward the train, which was about the indianorth of where the strates was made. His torse was shot and killed, and he ran the remainder of the assame on foot, in der fire of the Indians.

When within sight of the train the Indians left him. Bastines left the mill about two hours after holmson, which was an hour after the train bed left, and a recining of Romanon and Coeman or of the Indians. The Fagan was ordered out immentately with two comparises of cavalry, but nothing has yet been hearn trem him.

Col. Bullock prived at Fort Fetterman yesterday, He him.

Col. Bullock strived at Fort Fetterman yesterday. He says he saw a large party of Indians at the upper crossing of the Horsesnoe, singing and dancing what seemed to be the scale dance

Making the Siveet Cars Safer.

In view of the many complaints that have been made to the Superintendent of Police by gentle-men whose pockets have been picked in the street cars. men whose peckets have been picked in the street cars, the police have been instructed to arrest well-known thieves whenever they are seen on the cars. Yesterday, in compliance with this order, an officer who had seen William Neuman, otherwise Dutch lientrich, enter a Broadway and University place car at Seventeenth street and get off at Fourteenth street, took him to the Prince street police station. Thence the prisoner was sent to the Central Office; it in the personer was sent to the Central Office; it in the secretained whether anybody in the cut had been routed. Later in the day Relutiview was taken to defire son Market Folice Court, and, there help no carrier against him, Justice Kübreth released him.

The Siamese Twins. The Slamese Twins.

The Labelphia, Pa., Feb. 10.—To-day the case containing the bodies of the Slamese Twins was opened in presence of a number of eminent medical gentlemen. The embalming process has not been entirely satisfactory in its results, owing to the fact that when the bodies were subjected to the process decomposition was aiready far savanced. At the same time it is believed that the main points of interest in the asse will be fully clucidated by the autopsy. A number of medical gentlemen were present at the College to-night, and steps were taken to commence operations. Plaster casts of the bodies were taken to-day.

The Connecticut Republican Convention. HARTFORD, Feb. 10 .- A large number of the delegates to the Republican State Convention, which is to meet to-morrow, have arrived in this city. A cancus

JERSEY'S JONATHAN WILD.

THE BURGLARY OF WHICH MAU-RICE STRAUSS WAS CONVICTED. The Most Daring Robbery Ever Committed

in Iludson County - Bold Capture of Strauss by Ex-Chief McWilliams. The confession of the Illinois convict Mathews was a subject of general and earnest discussion in Jersey City yesterday. The robbery in which Mathews alleges ex-Chief Me-Williams to have been the leading spirit was williams to have been the leading spirit was one of the most daring ever perpetrated in Hudson county. On the night of Thursday, June 29, 1871, the store of T. C. Brown, 21 Newark avenue, and the clothing store of Samuel Clark. Band 28 Newark avenue, were entered by burglars and robbed of silks and other dry goods to the value of \$4,000. Both stores extended through from Newark avenue to Montgomery street, the store of Clark having a low extension in the rear. The burglars entered through a skylight in the roof of the extension. According to the story given to the reporters by Mowell and the story of the story of the story given to the reporters by Mowell and the story of the story given to the reporters by Mowell and th one of the most daring ever perpetrated in Hud-

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Brooklyn's most beautiful ladies and most influential men crowded every mook. The tollets
were, as usual, supert, and nothing marred the
harmony of the entertalment or the pie sure
of the guests. Bernstein's bend outdid itself
and made the mazy dance doubly attractive.

The following-named ladies and gentlemen
occupied the private boxes: S. S. Stevens and
wife and daughter, Mr. Furman Hunt and wife.
George S. Landon, Countess Mrs. F. Avinof, Mr.
E. T. Hunt, Miss Bavils, Dr. A. E. Sumner and
wife, H. W. Hunt and wife, W. H. Cromwell, A.
B. Bavils, Jr. and wife, W. H. Cromwell, A.
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Bocock and wife, Henry F. Cuien and Miss
list, John C. Southwick and wife,
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wife, Thomas Howell and wife, W. B. Bonham and wife, M. B. Leonham and wife, M. B. Leonham and wife, Jr. Browell, A.
The Headless Skeleton in a Maine Wood—A

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On Monday, Nov. 6. Strauss was placed on total for burglary, Mr. Leon Abbot appearing as his counsel. Ex-Chief McWilliams testified that he had seen the prisoner between 9 and 10 million and the prisoner between 9 and 10 million and properly, had known as the first participated in the novement known as that of the Patrons of financial participated in the novement known as that of the Patrons of financial participated in the novement known as that of the Patrons of financial participated in the novement known as that of the Patrons of financial participated in the novement known as that of the Patrons of financial patrons of the patrons of financial patrons of the patrons o

Notwithstanding the assertion by McWilliams that Straues was a professional thick, no proof was offered against his character. The facts in regard to his brevious life are that twe's years ago he was clerk in a dry goods standard goods store of his own in Niath avenue. He married, and started goods store of his own in Niath avenue, at time years ago he moved from Niath avenue. It time years ago he moved from Niath avenue. It inney have not been supported by the contract of the contract of

The Sittings of the British Columbia Legis-inture Broken Up by the Pounts.

The Philadelphia Voters. of Election furnished to day a list of voters by wards for the election on Thesian to the City Commissioners. Innee entitled to vote number 25240; the number of 186,083 and list year, 187,094. As extra assess-ment, which will not be made this year, would can the number up to 17,500.

George F. Lee, a prominent lawyer of Buffalo, committed smede at the Pulaski House, Savannan, Ca., yesterday morning.

Wm. Proctor, Jr., Professor of the College of Pharmacy in Philadelphia, died saddenly on Monday night after having delivered a lecture to the students.

The Republicans carried the city election in Binghamton yesterday. Delancey M. Habbert was enosen havor over the Hon. B. N. Loomis, the Democratic incument, by hearly doubt the usual Republican majority. The Republicans carried four of the five wards.

DISLOYALTY IN PORTO RICO.

Gov. Rivera Declaring his Opposition to the Home Government Before his Retirement -Disturbances in the Cities.

HAVANA, Feb. 10 .- A correspondent of the Voz writes from Porto Rico that previous to his retirement from the Governorship. Captain-General Primo de Rivera sent a circular letter Mayors throughout the island, in which he declared that there was no government in Spain; that the conduct of Gen. Pavia and Treasury in regard to the Sanborn contracts was Marshal Serrano at Madrid was Infamous, and that he would not recognize the existing home Government; but he did not know whether the made with John A. Sanborn to recover \$650,000

The British Parliamentary Elections The Conservative Majority Increasing.

London, Feb. 10.-Twenty-seven memers of the new Parliament were chosen yesterday, making the total number thus far elected Liberals and Home Rulers. Conservatives have been returned for 80 seats occupied by Liberals in the last Parliament, and Liberals have replaced 28 Conservatives. The number of members returned from Ireland up to this morning is 55. These are divided as follows: 31 Hone Rulers, 16 Conservatives, and 8 Liberals.

It is announced that a reconciliation has been effected between Mr. Disraeli and the Marquis of Salisbury and the Earl of Camarvon, and that the Marquis and Earl have consented to assist Mr. Disraeli to form his Ministry.

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Mr. Disraeli delivered an address at Buckingham this evening. He congratulated his constituents on the result of the elections, which he declared justified the policy of the Conservative party in Introducing and carrying the Reform law when it last held power.

Germany and the United States.

Pares, Feb. 10.—The Patric says sharply

Of the proposition was

B. F. Butler of MASSACHUSETTS.

He said that he had advocated a similar proposition the Fortieth Congress, but it was defeated by the House striking out an essential word. Now, he was in favor of this because certain men had information which would enable the Government to recover large sums of money, and they wanted to seel this information. "Knowledge of this kind," he said, "is trading capital with most men. Those who have this knowledge and choose to trade upon it will do so, as they have a right to do. Some time slnee a man came to me and convinced me time slnee a man came to me and convinced me time slnee a man came to me and convinced me time slnee a man came to me and convinced me time slnee a man came to me and convinced me time slnee a man came to me and convinced me time slnee a man came to me and convinced me time slnee a man came to me and convinced me time slnee a man came to me and convinced me time slnee a man came to me and convinced me time slnee a man came to me and convinced me time slnee a man came to me and convinced me time slnee a man came 536. Of these, 283 are Conservatives, and 253

Germany and the United States.

Paus, Feb. 10.—The Patric says sharply worded notes have recently been exchanged between the Governments of Germany and the United states. The subject of the correspondence is not stated.

A spree that may send a Policeman to Prison.

In the Harlem Police Court yesterday Mr. David Helms of 177 East 122d street, a well-known citizen of Harlem, alleged that at about 11:30 o'clock on Friday night last, while waiting in Fourth avenue at 182d street for a Mount Vernon train, he was approached to coller and about 11:30 o'clock on Fourth and the last while waiting in Fourth avenue at 182d street for a Mount Vernon train, he was approached to coller and began to dray and the state of the Interest of the kind to be made, and it is well known and then struck him on the head with his club, felling him to the ground, and again knocked him do the state of the Interest of the kind to be made, and it is well known also that he was cavive in season in advocating this amendment to the test of the Interest of the kind to be made, and it is well known also that he was cavive in season in advocating a first and the two sections of the House with THE Oldstein Line and the Interest of the State of the Interest of

Robert Gardiner, a member of Brooklyn's notorious Battle Row Gang, was before Judge Moore

John Buckridge pleaded guilty to murder in the fourth degree, having killed his totant child, and was yesterday automed by Judge Moore to two years' hard labor in the penitentiary. The decision of Judge Netison, in the case of Mrs. Wade, that action for breach of promise cannot be continued against the estate of a deceased person, has been affirmed by the General Term of the City Court. An ordinance of Brooklyn requires that mar-ings be reported to the Board of Health by the offi-rating clerg man. For violation of the ordinance the few Moster, Matthew tide Smith J. Hyatt Smith, E. S. Corter, and others are to be proceeded.

JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN.

Last evening Justus Gunekler of 130th street and Third avenue stepped on an iron coal cover on Fifty-fifth street and Third avenue, and less leg was broken.

Joseph Ryan's family of a wife and two young children are desirable in the rear basement of 18 Montre street. The wife and children are sick for want of food.

to meet to-morrow, have arrived in this city. A cancus for the expression of the sentiments of the delegates only was held to-night, at which Gen. James T. Frail of Wethersheid presided, and speeches were made by second to the Court of Appeals yesterday the death of January, aged 56 years, has been proved. In the Court of Appeals yesterday the death of January, aged 56 years, has been proved to purpose in the party. There is no doubt of the nound protection of the Hon. Heart B. Harrison of New Haven for Governor by nearly if not quite a unanimous rote.

THE SANBORN CONTRACTS.

THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT'S DEALINGS WITH INFORMERS.

Secretary Richardson Keeping Back a Part of the Facts-Infamy which Somebady Does Not Want Uncovered.

Washington, Feb. 10 .- The information very meagre. It in reality amounts to nothing.

tary, as he alleged, because possibly injury might be done them. This is

RATHER THIN,

inasmuch as a great deal of money has been collected from them, no mention of which is made by the Secretary in his communication. It is more and more apparent that there is a vast deal of infamy connected with this business which is somebody does not want uncovered. Who that somebody does not want uncovered. Who that somebody is can only be surmised, though there are certain facis which enable pretty correct conclusions to be drawn. First, the amendment to the legislative, executive, and judicial act of 1872 authorizing these confracts was proposed in the Senate Committee on Appropriations by the then Senator Sawyer. This amendment was defeated in the House, and was again put on in a conference committee of which Sawyer was a manager on the part of the Senate. When the report was made to the House the Senate amendment was flerely denounced by the Democrats as well as by several Republican members. The speeches of Hale of Maine and Randall of Pennsylvania were the most notable ones against it. The only open and brazen defender of the proposition was

B. F. BUTLER OF MASSACHUSETTS.

THE OBNOXIOUS AMENDMENT

HIS SHARE OF THE BLOODMONEY, \$50,000. in the however the hown as that of the Patrons of Risbeadry was held yesterday afternoon in room 34.
Cooper Institute, to organize a Grance in New York.
The history of the movement now so successful in the
West and South was given by Geo. Surague, Secretary
of the New York State Grangs, and addresses denvered
by Dr. Sylvester and others, a arreupon a list of charact
members was prepared, and arrangements made to
effect an early organization. B. B. T. Moore of the
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effect an early organization. The charact
members are thirty in number, ten being laddes.

A Brilliant Real Estate Operation.
The extension of Madison avenue to Harlem
tiver tarew into the city's hands three four-story, highstoop, brownstone front houses on the south side of
12th sireet, and these were sold by anction for \$1,000
each to Mr. W. B. Asten, owner of three has on the east

Burchard of Illinois objected to this resolution and it was then by unanimous consent referred to the Ways and Means Committee,

Davis & Canningham's flouring mill in Neenah, Hildenberger's new opera house in Bethle-hen, Pa., was burned early yesterday morning. It is supposed that the fire was caused by crossers used by a German band on Monday evening. Loss, \$50,000; in-surence, \$20,000.

FLASHES FROM THE OCEAN CABLES.

The Vaterland (newspaper) of Vienna has been suppressed, and its office and material confiscated.

A heavy gale has prevailed in the lower Baltiq and caused the partial mundation of Kinland Swingmunie; but the latest despatches say that the storm has abated and the waters are subsiding.

In a whiskey quarrel in Osgood, Ind., on Mon-tay night, Joshua Mitchen killed his stepon, Eminest andever, striking him on the bend with an axe and hen shooting him. William H. Scott, principal of the North Am-lean Detective Police Agency of 188 Broadway, had valuable gold watch picked from his pocket yesterday a Chatham street auction store. In a Chatham street auction store.

John W. Gibson (colored) was sent to the penitentiary for six months yesternay, from the the Special Sessions, for assaulting John O'Brien, one of the Harbor Police, with a siung shot in a second avenue car.

In the O'Brien shooting case in Quebec, the Coroner's jury returned a verdict of which murder against George Schmidt. The prisoner will be tried at the next term of the Court of Queen's Bench is April.

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Geo. M. Carson, a United States Custom House Inspector, on trial in the criminal Court in Bailtimore for the nurser of Charles C. Graner in August last, was convicted of man-laughter and sentenced to two years' independent. James Strang, aged 29, of 218 West Forty-first street, who shot John McAunit of 48 West 19th street at the list inst., was arrested vesterday on Ninth availe, near West Fortieth street, by Officer Reagan of the Thirty-seventh street poice.

John Campbell was committed last evening by Justice Sherwood, having been fully identified by Adojoh Haurk of No. 81 Ninth avenue, as one of the servons who entered his store some time since, and shocked down, bound, gagged and robbed him.

Thomas Corrigan, indicated for the killing of